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WHEREAS; Wisconsin is home to thousands of businesses that employ more than three million workers

in industries from breweries and cheese makers to advanced manufacturers and biotechnology companies; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's labor force participation rate is among the highest in the country, with a workforce committed to meeting and exceeding the challenges of the future; and

WHEREAS; the strength of Wisconsin's workforce rests in its workers, who labor every day in hundreds of skilled occupations reflecting both Wisconsin's heritage and its leadership in many cutting-edge fields; and

WHEREAS; the Governor's Council on Workforce Investment, in concert with Wisconsin's 11workforce development boards and workforce partners, provides critical assistance to workers and employers; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin has devoted more than \$135 million to provide opportunities that will connect individuals seeking skilled careers with businesses in emerging employment sectors; and

WHEREAS; the Department of Workforce Development is partnering with the Wisconsin Technical College System, the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation, and the Wisconsin Workforce Development Association to create and manage a comprehensive talent pipeline for Wisconsin's employers and citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2014, as

## WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin, and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 26<sup>th</sup>day of August 2014.

SCOTT WALKER GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State